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Dear IQC members,

The attached expert statement of Prof. Nathan Katz was filed with the court during CAPEEM's lawsuit and is provided as a supporting document from an academic source to prove that our claims made in our submission related to caste are valid.

This email does not ask for specific edits and so the Nov 25 deadline should not matter as it is only a supporting document to help the Commission members by making things easy for you.

Specifically, the document proves our point that caste is a social construct of the medieval era and the chapter on Hinduism should not be the one talking about it.

Below Prof. Katz's testimony is his CV and below his CV are three exhibits he attached in the form of news reports, one each about the practice of caste based oppression among Sikhs in India, among Christians in India and among Muslims in India. This should clearly prove that caste is a social construct.

Additionally, CDE's own expert Luis Gonzalez Riemann was only able to cite some 4th century document which mentioned caste clearly supporting our case that it is a medieval era construct.

(I am not attaching that document as it was not in a calm tone and was not an academic argument but consisted of ad hominem attacks against us and attributed motives apart from containing flawed arguments like using 4th century documents to support textbooks that dealt with 1500 BCE. This expert also commented on genetics despite not having any expertise on the topic and being a language professor.)

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